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## Campus officials help 'protect and serve' Clinton

### University police secure airport during speech

By HEATHER CYGAN  
Campus editor

Eight Eastern campus police officers had a day off last week that they will never forget.

The officers traveled to Champaign Wednesday on their day off to protect President Clinton. Clinton graced the University of Illinois's Assembly Hall stage to deliver a speech that highlighted several main points of his State of the Union address, particularly education.

The officers were on duty in Champaign from 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday securing the premises of Willard Airport in Champaign as Clinton arrived and departed.

"I was very surprised when we were asked to come up," said Officer Michael Elam. "I was real happy to be invited. It was cool." Elam has served as security on Eastern's campus for dignitaries such as Sen. Carol Mosley-Braun.

The eight volunteer officers from Eastern were Capt. Adam Due, Officer Harold Harris, Officer Mark Briggs, Officer Janice Kozak, Officer Jeffrey Cariens, Officer Randall Lee Taggart, Officer Kent Martin and Elam.

Several other agencies volunteered to protect the president Wednesday, Briggs said. Other police forces that helped in protecting the President were the Champaign County Police, Rantoul Police, Mohammond Police, University of Illinois at Champaign Police, Illinois State Police and Parkland College officers as well, Elam said.

An estimated 100 officers were on duty including secret service officers,

Elam said. The secret service also had drug dogs, federal agents and anti-terrorist agents at the scene, he added.

No special training was required to act as security, Briggs said. Each officer has been through training for his profession and that is "basically what's expected," said Briggs, who previously worked for the Coles County Sheriff's Department for three years. During that time, he provided security for former President Bush once. Briggs has worked on Eastern's campus police force since July.

Elam said Lt. Nelson, from the University of Illinois police department, briefed the volunteer officers with the aid of a secret service agent. The briefing included photographs of the layout of the airport and what to do in case of an emergency, such as radio for contacts, Elam added.

"Then they turned us loose," said Martin, who has been working in Charleston since July. "It was exciting... a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

The last U.S. president to come to east central Illinois was Gerald Ford in 1976, Martin said.

If the officers were confronted with a situation, Briggs said they were instructed to "handle it like any other situation." They were briefed to look for anything out of the ordinary, such as people trying to gain access to closed areas.

Briggs said the closest he got to Clinton was about 50 feet, but he said he was pleased to be able to do the honor of VIP security for the president.

Elam said that his position brought him six to 10 feet away from Clinton and Vice President Gore's motorcade.

Martin was only 10 feet away from Clinton and Gore's motorcade, which oddly did not have tinted windows, he said. Leading the trail of vehicles were five police cars, followed by a couple of government vehicles, Clinton's limousine, Gore's limousine and dignitaries' vehicles. A couple of

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IKUYA KURATA/Photo editor

### Chinese celebration

Nicole N'Gambwa, 4-year-old daughter of Kitenge N'Gambwa, an international student adviser, touches a Chinese embroidery during the "Chinese New Year Celebration," Saturday night in Lumpkin Hall. Chinese students explained the Chinese New Year Celebration through a video presentation, while displaying Chinese fans, chess and teapots to explain their culture. About 40 students and residents participated in the event which was organized by Eastern's Chinese Student Association and International Programs.

## Eastern dedicates six new panels to AIDS Memorial Quilt

By LAUREN KRAFT  
Activities editor

Six new panels made by area students and residents were added to the current 306 panels at Eastern Saturday during the closing ceremonies of the AIDS Memorial Quilt.

The saying "learn and live" was embroidered on one of the new panels, emphasizing the need for AIDS awareness and education.

Volunteers read short essays written by family members of AIDS victims that described the lives of their loved ones. Most of the essays described AIDS as being an "indiscriminate killer."

The memorial quilt panels will now be relocated to San Francisco.

Students, faculty and Charleston and area residents paid tribute to those who have died as a result of AIDS as the display hung in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Saturday for the last time.

One woman traveled from Bloomington in hopes of seeing a certain panel.

"My partner made a (panel) for her best

friends that died," said Kristy Herman, a Bloomington resident.

Flora Beabout, a Charleston resident and volunteer for the NAMES Project, visited the quilt in memory of her brother. She said some of her brother's friends made a panel for the original NAMES Project in 1992 and took it to Washington D.C.

The panel dedicated to Beabout's brother was not on display at Eastern, but Beabout said she thought it was still important to help support the quilt.

"I'm not really active (with AIDS awareness groups)," Beabout said. "But if there is something - I'll get involved."

Beabout said her brother asked her about two weeks prior to his death to help educate others about the disease. Beabout said she tells others about the dangers of unprotected sex.

"It's like playing Russian Roulette," she said.

Kathryn Stewart, a Charleston resident brought one of her sons, Andrew, to the closing ceremonies. She said she dedicated her time to making three of the panels and described herself

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## 34 events planned for African-American History Month

By LAUREN KRAFT  
Activities editor

Eastern will host 34 events throughout February in honor of African-American History Month.

Ceci Brinker, assistant director for Student Life/Multi-cultural Affairs, said the "diverse range of programs" is not limited to African-Americans.

"This is a campus celebration," Brinker said. "This is not just about blacks."

She said the programs provide entertainment, social, educational and cultural value. She also said a great deal of time and effort was dedicated to coordinating the celebration by people "who really believed in this."

Brinker said the history of

African-American Heritage Month is "pretty extensive."

"It is probably over 20-years-old. I think it initially started through African-American studies," she said.

"This is by far the largest celebration as far as programs go," added Brinker.

The theme of this year's African-American Heritage Celebration is "Celebrating the

Fabric of Our Diverse Heritage."

This week's activities include:

■ A panel discussion sponsored by the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. "Leading with Soul" will be held at 7 p.m. in the Kansas Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

■ A theatrical performance by the Indigo Student Theater Society. The "Dutchmen" will be

performed at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Rathskeller Restaurant.

■ A poetry reading contest sponsored by the Black Student Union, University Board Human Potential Committee and the Afro-American Studies Association. The contest will be held 7 p.m. Friday in the Rathskeller Restaurant. Admission is \$1 for students and \$2 for the general public.



# & then some

& then some is a weekly column covering various campus and community events.

## ◆ BE OUR GUEST

People can begin to get tickets for the Annual African-American Heritage Dinner to be held Sunday.

The banquet will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Tickets are available from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the union box office. The tickets cost \$12 for adults and \$5 for Eastern students with an I.D. and children under the age of 12. Deadline for purchasing a ticket is Wednesday.

The keynote speaker has yet to be announced, but entertainment will be provided by Ms. Tarin T. Dumas-Hampton, said Ceci Brinker, assistant director of student life/multicultural affairs.

Brinker said Hampton is an internationally acclaimed teacher and performer of African dance.

## ◆ SPEAK UP

Over the weekend, three members of Eastern's forensics team placed in a tournament at Cornell College, Iowa.

Keith Carlson placed

— Matt Adrian is the managing editor and a regular columnist for *The Daily Eastern News*.

fourth in extemporaneous speaking. In this competition, speakers draw a political question and prepare a seven-minute speech from newspaper and magazine clippings. Speakers get 30 minutes to prepare their speeches.

Jeremiah Reed placed fifth in impromptu speaking. For the speech, speakers draw a quotation and deliver a speech refuting the quotation. The speakers have seven minutes to prepare and deliver the speech.

Sheri Storer placed sixth place in informative speaking. The ten-minute piece is given on a relevant or interesting topic.

## ◆ FYI

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Anyone interested in submitting information to & Then Some should write or call Matt Adrian at the Daily Eastern News, 581-2812 or e-mail him at cumwa@pen.eiu.edu.

# Iran officials talk of resignation

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - A Cabinet minister strongly denied a report that Iran's most senior vice president has submitted his resignation, the government's news agency said Sunday.

The Tehran Times said earlier in the day that First Vice President Hassan Habibi handed his resignation to President Mohammad Khatami about two weeks ago.

But that report was denied by Ataollah Mohajerani, the minister of culture and Islamic

Guidance, the Islamic Republic News Agency reported several hours after the newspaper story appeared.

The Tehran Times, an English-language newspaper which is controlled by a hard-line Islamic faction of the government, had quoted an unidentified source as saying Habibi had submitted his resignation. The newspaper said Khatami, a relative moderate, had not decided whether to accept it.

The source denied there were

differences between Khatami and Habibi, the Tehran Times said.

Khatami has several vice presidents, but Habibi has the official title of "first vice president" and is second-in-command after the president.

Habibi, 61, was appointed a vice president in August 1989 by Khatami's predecessor, Hashemi Rafsanjani. Khatami retained him after taking office last August.

Habibi helped draft the Iranian constitution after the 1979 Islamic revolution.

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as a "compassionate quilter."

"This is an excellent, powerful, moving project," Stewart said. "I am proud to be a part of it."

Stewart said AIDS awareness and education is a necessity. She said she had her son help make a panel to make him aware of the epidemic.

Also during the closing ceremonies, K-Love & Blue, a student-comprised band, sang "It's so hard to say good-bye" by Boyz II Men, dedicating

the song to "those with the (AIDS) virus."

University Board Chair Tom Ryan gave the closing address, saluting the AIDS Quilt Committee at Eastern and called the Memorial Quilt a "wonderful masterpiece."

During his speech, Ryan emphasized the importance of realizing what love is.

"Love is love," said Ryan. "Love is colorblind, has no religious affiliation and knows no gender."

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ambulances carried the rear of the motorcade, Martin said.

"The limousine was black and had to be 17- to 18-feet long," Martin added.

The president showed his heart when a child in a wheelchair held up a sign that had "Please stop and talk to me" written on it, Martin said. The motorcade proceeded, but a car was sent back to pick up the child and his family so they could shake the president's hand, he added.

Briggs' VIP security position was at the gate check point. He said he had to make sure everyone that came through was authorized with proper identification.

Elam said his position at the "Y" part of the runway at the airport, entailed screening traffic for secret-service clearance.

His job was to ensure that only people whose names were on a special list would be granted admittance.

The old terminal was where Clinton arrived and departed from and was off-limits to the public, but the new terminal was open to the public, Elam said.

Martin worked at the same post as Elam. He said everything ran "like clockwork."

Many people made excuses to try and get into the old terminal, Martin said. The best one was a



ANNA BETZELBERGER/Associate photo editor

Officers Randall Taggart, Janice Kozak, Kent Martin and Jeffrey Cariens were among the officers who traveled to Champaign-Urbana to guard President Clinton during his visit last week.

guy in a pick-up equipped with pizzas he said he had to deliver to the terminal, he added.

Briggs said he also saw Clinton's jet get stuck in the mud.

"It wasn't too exciting," Briggs said. "It was a nice, quiet day." The right rear wheel of the president's plane got stuck in some mud as it attempted departure, so a second plane flew in to pick up Clinton, he added.

"There was a lot of speculation of whether (Clinton) was going to get out of here," Martin said.

Since police thought the president would have come back through with his motorcade to get to LaCross, Wis., people were cleared away, Martin

added. "Seven of the officers) got a photo with Air Force One," Elam said, with a grin on his face.

Campus Police Chief Tom Larson said off-duty police officers were sent as volunteers to work on overtime pay. Upon reaching their specific destinations, the officers were given briefings and assigned their placements, Larson added.

The U of I campus police force members contacted Eastern's campus police because they needed additional assistance, Larson said.

"I will assist (U of I's campus police), and they will assist (Eastern's campus police when needed)," Larson said.

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# Doudna renovations in progress; consultants to evaluate building

By AMY THON  
Student government editor

Improvements to the Doudna Fine Arts Building that are being funded by the additional \$50-per-semester campus improvement fee were begun during the semester break.

The carpet was replaced on the first floor of the building, including in Dvorak Concert Hall, during the break, said James Johnson, dean of the college of arts and humanities, and Michael Doerr, physical plant construction project coordinator. The aforementioned projects, along with other renovation projects on campus, are being overseen by Doerr.

The improvements will be beneficial for Eastern because the concert hall is highly visible, Johnson said. More than 100 concerts and recitals are held there annually.

"It's going to make a positive

impact on Eastern," Johnson said.

An overall enhancement was promised for Dvorak and the main theater stage with funds from the campus improvement fee, Johnson said.

"Where we are at the moment is determining exactly what is going to be done," Doerr said.

Consultants will be brought in to study the building to deem what improvements are necessary, Johnson said. The consultants will make recommendations and begin to move forward with the project.

The project is still in its design phase, Doerr said, but some of the renovations being considered for Dvorak include replacing the rigging, resurfacing the stage and improving the acoustics.

"We are beginning the planning (stage)," Doerr said.

Improvements will hopefully be completed by fall of 1998, Johnson said.

Both Doerr and Johnson said since the building is old it needs many repairs. The building was built in the late 1950s and is on a priority list to be renovated after the Booth Library gets its face lift.

"There are a lot of things that have to be done," Johnson said. "With the age of the building, it is in need of renovations."

"Generally, the building is old and needs to be renovated like Buzzard (Hall) and Booth (Library)," Doerr said.

Doerr said it is up to the state to determine if the building should be renovated because that is the only way the project can be funded.

"Our hope is that (the Fine Arts Building) can be (renovated) after Booth (Library)," Doerr said.

If these renovations are completed, the entire complex will be renovated including the music, theater and art departments, Johnson said.

# Carman phone problems remedied

## Complaints cease as new switchboard installed, phone cards repaired

By JAIME HODGE  
City editor

A new switchboard has solved Carman Hall residents' two-week battle to "phone home."

"As far as we know, (the telephone lines) have all been fixed," said Sara Crampton, associate residence director of Carman Hall. "They seem to be working fine."

Crampton said she has not heard any complaints from residents.

Residents agreed that the phone problems appeared to be solved.

"It's not that bad," said Lance Frederick, a freshman undecided major. "I haven't had any other problems."

Courtney Goembel, a freshman undecided major, said that during her phone conversations last week, she would be talking to somebody who would hear her

talking, but she couldn't hear talking. "But it's gotten better," Goembel said.

Carman residents previously complained of crackling lines, disconnections while they were on the phone and trouble with understanding or even hearing the other party while talking on the phone. Crampton said she couldn't count the amount of complaints received from students.

"It doesn't seem to be causing any problems," said Benjamin Gaddis, a junior English major.

Megan Martin, a freshman elementary education major, said she has not had any recent problems with the phone.

"I haven't noticed any problems recently. When everyone was having problems, I was having problems too," Martin said. "I would be talking with someone on the phone and would just get cut off."

Problems with the phone lines in Carman Hall went on for almost two weeks before they were corrected. A new switchboard was installed last week and additional phone cards also were fixed, said Clay Hopkins, Eastern's telecommunications manager.

"This should pretty much take care of the problem, but things go out on a daily basis. You never know," Crampton said. "The phone line was a problem pretty much for the entire building."

# Nilsen to answer Faculty Senate's fund-raising and lobbying concerns

By JUSTIN KMITCH  
Administration editor

The Faculty Senate Tuesday will receive an update on Eastern's legislative liaison and the new development team.

The senate will meet at 2 p.m. in the BOG Room of Booth Library.

Jill Nilsen, special assistant to the president, prepared a written statement regarding the status of Eastern's legislative liaison and the new development board ini-

ated by President Jorns.


"Last week, I was unavailable to be at the meeting, so I prepared a written statement," Nilsen said. "I believe that Tuesday I will be responding, in person, to any questions the senate may still have regarding those issues."

The senate is also expected to discuss new information regarding the auditor's report from May 1997.

At the Jan. 27 senate meeting, Gail Richard, senate chair, said she hoped Norbert Furumo would

be able to update the senate on the activities of the committee on committees. Furumo is scheduled to give that update Tuesday.

In new business, Charles Evans, associate vice president for academic affairs, and Rita Pearson, director of admissions, are scheduled to give an update on the Illinois Articulation Initiatives and on University Studies at the Feb. 10 meeting. A date for the review of the Constitutional Planning Process is still undetermined.



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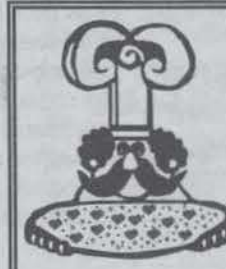
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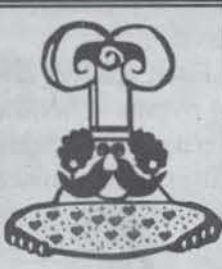
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## Heritage celebration events should be attended by everyone

In honor of African-American History Month, Eastern's annual African-American Heritage Celebration will be held throughout the month of February.

This year's theme, "Celebrating the Fabric of Our Diverse Heritage," promises to bring to opportunities for all Eastern students.

The line-up includes 34 events, ranging from speakers to an African dance workshop. The variety of events is sure to spark the interest of all students.

### Editorial

Forty-three campus organizations and academic areas have devoted their time and efforts to sponsor and coordinate the month-long celebration; now it is time for students to show their appreciation.

The month's events are not limited to African-American student participation, but are conducted to increase cultural awareness and diversity on campus.

Everyone in some way, shape or form has been affected by the history of other cultures. Students should take responsibility to go outside of the classroom to experience other cultures first hand.

In order for people to better understand the world around them, they must first learn about other cultures. At the very least, students can broaden their horizons by spending some time this month celebrating African-American heritage.

While it is unfortunate a month has to be designated each year for people to remember African-American history, everyone, regardless of race or ethnicity, should join in the festivities.

Plays, comedians, panel discussions and talent shows are among the diverse schedule of events, with the Miss Black EIU Pageant bringing the month to a close.

With the variety of events, no excuse should keep students from joining in the unique events. Student participation is the key to keeping the memories of African-American heritage alive.

Each student should attend at least one of the 34 events scheduled for the African-American Heritage Celebration, not only to help increase cultural diversity on campus, but to better themselves.

## today's quote

It is a condition which confronts us — not a theory.

— Grover Cleveland

## Hussein must be hit hard to save stability

America's foreign and strategic policies are beginning to be called into question lately, especially on Iraq, Israel and the other geopolitical regions important to our security. The chief inspector of weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, Robert Butler, was irresponsible in a recent statement on the biological weapons of the rogue state. The U.S. Secretary of State should have called him on this reckless outpouring. Leaders of moderate Arab states also take umbrage on this destabilizing rhetoric. United Nations resolutions must be seen to be adhered in principle and practice. No wonder America's allies in Europe are very reluctant to support military action against Saddam Hussein.

There is a belief in the Arab and Muslim world that Judaism and Christianity are competitors to the religion of Muhammad, even though these religions profess the worship of one God. Balance is what is demanded and this is what is expected of the United States by marginal Muslim countries. The mayhem in Algeria is a case in point. A few years ago, the military annulled an election that favored the Islamic Salvation Front, no Western government condemned the annulment and this call for democratically-elected governments by the West fell on deaf ears.

We cannot in all honesty selectively choose who to support and who to oppose on the basis of religion or economic interest. Our overt support of the military regime in Nigeria is another example. This column is not an indictment of Western governments but a call to reason and logic. Hussein is a threat to the region and the economic stability of the world. Saying that does not absolve others of complicity in this crime against the people of the region and especially the soldiers of 'Desert Storm.'

We supported Iraq against Iran in that bloody conflict that claimed the lives of thousands if not a millions. The Baker Plan of the Bush administration gave credit for millions of U.S. dollars to Saddam and even guaranteed loans to it for the persecution of the Iraq/Iran war. Some low level executives of international banks are now serving long-term jail sentences in American prisons and the chief architect of that policy pontificates on American television and op-ed pages



OLATOYE BAIYEWU  
Regular columnist

"Saddam must be taken out now for the stability of the region and the continued modernization of those countries that surround her."

speech. If we are to really advocate this for achieving civil societies around the world, then selective punitive measures is defeating.

Saddam must be taken out now for the stability of the region and the continued modernization of those countries that surround her. This must be the premise for our policy, not Israel, and above all not the United Nations. We have to go this alone. Hit Saddam hard enough for him to cry 'Uncle.' This is another option for saving the children, the old, the infirm and others in the region.

Millions of dollars from U.S. taxpayers have bankrolled Saddam and his quest for regional domination. Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, the other Gulf states and transnational corporations from Britain, France, Germany and the former Soviet Union encouraged his ambition for the sake of profits. These countries cannot, therefore say today that Saddam is a threat to world peace. They must be made to pay the cost of removing Saddam and hopefully in the future, profit will not stand in the way of world security and stability.

The moral dilemma is regional, global security or profits. I believe we must be on the side of universal security. The double speak of the administration of whether to undertake the military operation against Baghdad or not is not a well thought out policy. We must not be seen to dilly dally around global security. Allies in the region are very nervous when we do double speak. The unfinished business of Desert Storm should now be completed. 1998 must go down in the annals of foreign policy as a decisive and pragmatic year. This should be the path for our policy in that region and around the world.

- Olatoye Baiyewu, is an English graduate assistant and a semi-monthly columnist for The Daily Eastern News.

## SO WHAT DID THE POPE AND FIDEL CASTRO DISCUSS DURING THEIR TIME TOGETHER???



## Housing policy about room vacancies unfair, needs to be changed

To the editor:

We are writing in response to a University Housing "policy." Each one of us lives in a six- or four-person suite in Stevenson Hall. Upon returning from winter break, each one of us had a single room in our suites. Some of our roommates graduated, some were dismissed for academic reasons and others moved to a different dorm. The housing department has given us two choices: pay \$500 for a single room or consolidate with other single occupants in Stevenson.

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vacancy, but to make us move is outrageous! Imagine this: Three weeks into the semester, in the midst of handling a full course load, you are required to find a compatible roommate, move all of your belongings, move to a new floor and change your address and phone number. Why should it be our burden if our ROOMMATES left us with a single?!! In one instance, a roommate was dismissed for failing grades. She received a housing refund while the remaining roommate was left with the responsibility of the situation. How about charging her \$500?

Also, some of us have lived in the same suite with the same people for two years and have become good friends with our suite mates.

Each of us has made repeated complaints to the housing department and their only reply is, "Sorry, but it's our policy." Well, it's time to reform this policy.

Once consolidated, housing is going to lock up the empty rooms. A very minor decrease in the power bill is not worth it. Or maybe the housing department does not want us to have a single room without paying for it. Well, the vacancy should not be OUR responsibility. WE didn't create the vacancies, we were just left with them.

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# Education package provision cuts small districts' funding

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) - When the General Assembly passed the high-profile education package late last year, supporters trumpeted the \$485 million annual increase in operating funds for the state's poorest school districts.

But as lawmakers examine the law's fine print, key Democrats say the downstate Republicans will be haunted in this year's re-election campaigns by a little-known provision that cuts small school districts out of a new \$1.4 billion construction program.

"As the fog is lifting, they're realizing the implications of this bill," said Rep. Kurt Granberg, a Carlyle Democrat and an assistant majority leader. "They're in trouble politically over this issue, the downstaters."

An Associated Press analysis found most Republicans repre-

senting these tiny school districts voted for the education package. Most Democrats whose school districts are ineligible for the construction funds opposed the legislation.

Even so, Republicans doubt downstate Democrats can justify their opposition. That's because the bill, which Gov. Jim Edgar signed into law with great bipartisan fanfare, means many smaller districts will get part of the \$485 million in operating funds.

"It is still a bill that benefits Southern Illinois and my district," said Sen. David Luechtefeld, an Okawville Republican who supported the bill. "I think, overall, it would be very hard to explain voting against it."

Democratic Sen. Vince Demuzio of Carlinville, who opposed the bill, dismissed any

Republican attempts to rationalize their support. "I'm sure they're all scrambling around trying to explain it," Demuzio said.

Last month, the AP found 129 of roughly 900 school districts in Illinois would be too small for the bonds. The findings are based on preliminary State Board of Education figures as of Dec. 15 and could change.

Under the current program, elementary and high school districts with fewer than 200 students and unit school districts with fewer than 400 students cannot get state bond money for school construction and repairs.

The mostly downstate school districts, now too small for the program, are split among a third of the state's lawmakers, falling in 36 House districts and 23 Senate districts.

## Musical apron calms, lulls fetuses

MUNSTER, Ind. (AP) - It's nice and warm in the womb, and there's plenty of free food. What else could a fetus want? Music, of course.

Dr. David Min, a Munster obstetrician, has developed a special apron for expectant mothers that sends soothing sounds into the womb with the goal of lulling fetuses into a more sedate prenatal existence.

"This is a brand new field without a lot of study yet," said Min, who admits there's no proof it works. "We're breaking new ground."

His Rock-a-Bye Music System is just an apron with adjustable pockets to accommodate a compact disc player or tape recorder. The 69-year-old doctor has patented his music apron and tested it on ten of his pregnant patients over the last two years.

He tracked the heartbeats and movements of the fetuses and says they respond to music and sounds of their parents' voices. He also cited studies indicating that a fetus begins hearing and responding to sounds outside the womb after the 26th week of pregnancy.

One of Min's patients, Kim Konieszka, 27, used the system when she was carrying her son Connor, who often tossed and turned inside her.

"I saw I could get more sleep if I played smooth jazz to him," Konieszka said. "It would lull him to sleep."

Another patient, Cynthia Fary, and her husband have recorded songs and poems to play to their future child.

"I get a different movement when the baby hears our voices on the tape," she said.

## Cult leader may face death if convicted

TAVARES, Fla. (AP) - Animal torture and mutilations, teens drinking each other's blood, a girl's parents bludgeoned to death and a corpse marked with occult markings.

Sounds like stock elements of a horror movie, but on Monday jury selection was set to begin in the trial of a teen-ager whose alleged vampire cult is accused of committing all of the above acts.

Accused cult ringleader Rod Ferrell, 17, could face the death penalty if convicted of a charge of first degree murder.

Ferrell is nervous, especially about whether it's possible to find jurors in this rural area who have not heard about the lurid case, says his lawyer William Lackay.

"I think it's going to be hard but not impossible," Lackay said of

his chances for success.

Important to the case is the testimony of Heather Wendorf, a 16-year-old cult devotee whose parents were beaten to death in their home in November 1996.

That afternoon, Miss Wendorf and Ferrell - a friend who was the cult's "sire" - performed a blood drinking ritual in a cemetery to induct, or "cross over," her as a fellow vampire, according to investigators.

"The person that gets crossed over is like subject to whatever the sire wants," Miss Wendorf said in a deposition. "Like, the sire is boss basically. They have authority over you."

In the cemetery, investigators say, she and Ferrell talked about their plans to leave town. Ferrell allegedly discussed killing Miss

Wendorf's parents, but she told him not to harm them, investigators allege.

Ferrell, Miss Wendorf and others had plotted for seven months through letters and phone conversations to run away together.

Considered misfits when they met at Eustis High School, the two found solace in each other's company. When Ferrell later moved to Kentucky, they stayed in touch. On the day they left town, they left behind the corpses of Richard Wendorf and Naoma Queen, prosecutors charge.

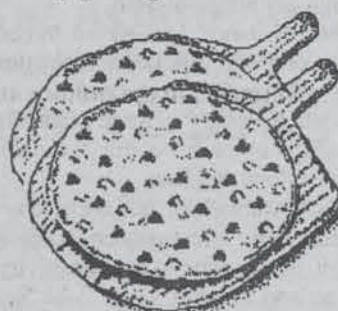
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# U.S. finds support hard to find for military attack against Iraq

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) - America's closest ally in the Persian Gulf - Saudi Arabia - also could be its toughest challenge in building support for a military attack on Iraq.

Saudi resistance, spelled out in comments Sunday by a senior Saudi official, complicates U.S. efforts to get full cooperation from countries in the region at a time when Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was arriving to consult on the stand-off between the United Nations and Iraq.

"Saudi Arabia will not allow any strikes against Iraq, under any circumstances, from its soil or bases in Saudi Arabia, due to the sensitivity of the issue in the Arab and Muslim world," the Saudi official told The Associated Press, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Even U.N. Security Council approval of an attack would not change the Saudi position, the official said.

The United States has plenty of fighter jets and troops afloat in the Persian Gulf, but it relied heavily on Saudi and Turkish bases during the 1991 Gulf War.

These days, Turkey, too, is reluctant to allow itself to be used as a launching pad. Ankara announced Sunday it would send Foreign Minister Ismail Cem to Baghdad to help negotiate a diplomatic end to the standoff over U.N. weapons inspections.

Iraq has been sparring with U.N. inspectors and the United States over access to suspected weapons

sites, and U.S. calls for military strikes have been getting louder in recent weeks.

Bill Richardson, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, said Sunday that he has received commitments from two countries to publicly support the United States should it decide to attack Iraq.

"The United States will not be alone," Richardson said during a world forum in Davos, Switzerland. He refused to identify the countries.

The U.N. inspectors must certify Iraq has destroyed all of its weapons of mass destruction before the U.N. Security Council will lift tough economic sanctions imposed after Iraq invaded neighboring Kuwait in 1990, prompting the Gulf War. The Security Council insists on unfettered access for its inspectors; Iraq contends access to some sites, including presidential palaces, would violate its sovereignty.

Albright was to begin explaining the U.S. position Sunday night with talks with the emir of Kuwait, Sheik Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah. She was to consult Monday with leaders of Saudi Arabia and Bahrain, then fly Tuesday to Egypt.

The United States has more than 4,000 troops and dozens of warplanes at bases in Saudi Arabia. Saudis, however, have been increasingly uncomfortable about their close ties with Washington since the June 1996 bombing of a U.S. military barracks in eastern Saudi Arabia. Nineteen American servicemen died in the attack, blamed on Muslim extremists.

## Humans to test live HIV vaccine

CHICAGO (AP) - A physicians group hoping to test a live-virus AIDS vaccine in humans is lining up safeguards in case trial participants contract the disease.

The group, the International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care, said three pharmaceutical makers have agreed to provide free drugs and testing to the first volunteers if they need it.

"We don't expect people to progress into AIDS, but we're trying to avoid that 'reckless' label that some people have assigned to us in the world," association deputy director, Joe Zuniga, told the Chicago Tribune.

The vaccine will be made with a live but weakened strain of HIV.

The Food and Drug Administration is reviewing a manufacturing plan for the vaccine.

In the coming months, the

group expects to submit to the FDA details for its proposed human trial.

"At this point, we're working within the system and we see no reason why we won't get approval," Zuniga said Saturday.

The group hopes to begin the trial in 2000 and have an effective, safe vaccine by 2007, he said.

The first trials are aimed at testing the safety of the substance, not its effectiveness in preventing the disease.

"Planning for the worst is just smart protocol," said Dr. John Phair, chief of infectious diseases at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago. "That is their obligation, but it may also carry some weight with the FDA."

But Phair and some other

physicians contend the volunteer effort is premature, that not enough work has been done to ensure the safety and usefulness of any AIDS vaccine.

"It's laudable they are looking at the potential worst-case scenarios," said Peggy Johnson, scientific director of the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative. "But it's not as important as first defining the safety of the vaccine."

Zuniga said Abbott Laboratories, Bristol-Myers Squibb and Hoffmann-La Roche have agreed to supply drugs to combat the disease if needed. Roche Diagnostics Systems will provide test kits for monitoring the participants, he said.

More than 200 people, including doctors and other health care workers, have volunteered to test the vaccine, Zuniga among them.

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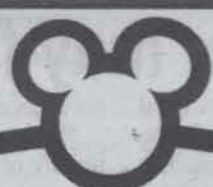
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# Tucker awaits decision from Texas parole officials; death set for Tuesday

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Condemned killer Karla Faye Tucker learns Monday whether Texas parole officials believe she is a changed woman who should be spared execution.

If the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles rules against her and all other appeals are denied, she would become only the second woman put to death in Texas since the Civil War years.

The panel deliberating her fate has said its decision will be announced 32 hours before her scheduled execution by injection Tuesday. She would be the first woman executed in Texas since 1863 and only the second in the United States since the Supreme Court allowed capital punishment to resume in 1976.

The 38-year-old former teen-age prostitute, drug user and rock band groupie received the death penalty



for killing two people with a pickax in 1983.

Ms. Tucker asked the 18-member parole board to recommend clemency to Gov. George W. Bush, contending she is a changed woman who has found God and can serve as a resource for others if she is allowed a life sentence.

Ten board members must agree with her before the governor has the option of sparing her life. But even a single favorable vote would be unusual. All of the 16 men who sought clemency in 1997 lost on unanimous votes.

Ms. Tucker has an appeal before

the U.S. Supreme Court that argues the commutation process in Texas is unconstitutional, lacking clear guidelines and adequate hearings.

Ms. Tucker, who would be the 145th Texas inmate executed since 1982, has admitted using a pickax to kill a man she and an accomplice planned to rob, then killed a woman to eliminate her as a witness.

Prison officials in Huntsville were bracing for several hundred reporters and photographers expected to cover the first execution of a woman since 1984, when Velma Barfield was put to death in North Carolina.

Ms. Tucker, her attorneys, prosecutors and the governor all insisted her gender should have no bearing on her case. But the petite dark-haired inmate, publicized in recent network television appearances, has drawn worldwide attention.

# Caterpillar remains without a contract

CHICAGO (AP) — The last time Caterpillar Inc. had a contract with the United Auto Workers Michael Jordan was still celebrating his first championship and the Dow Jones average was hovering around 3,000 instead of 8,000.

On Monday, nearly six years after that last contract expired, Caterpillar and the UAW are to resume full-scale negotiations amid signs that suggest both sides expect results.

Top Caterpillar and UAW officials met six times last year with a federal mediator to figure out where they stood. Then they ordered negotiations between each UAW local and factory-level executives to settle individual concerns.

"They would not have made their local negotiators go through all the work ... if they were still on oppo-

site sides of the Grand Canyon at the national level," said Peter Feuille, director of the University of Illinois' Institute for Labor and Industrial Relations.

"It certainly sends a clear message that on the national level things are resolved and that we can wrap this up quickly," said Neil Bernstein, an arbitrator and law professor at Washington University in St. Louis.

Neither side will comment on prospects for a settlement that will affect some 13,000 workers.

The last time they held serious talks, in November 1995, the two sides wrangled over creating lower pay scales for some workers, giving the company more control over worker schedules and what to do with dozens of people the union believes were fired illegally.

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# Korda takes Australian Open title

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) - Nothing about the Australian Open final sparked except the eyes of Petr Korda as he completed an emotional journey from tennis oblivion back toward the pinnacle of the sport with his first Grand Slam victory.

The 30-year-old Korda, near retirement from relentless pain a few years ago, celebrated his revival Sunday by falling to his knees in prayer, cartwheeling across court and climbing into the stands to hug his wife and daughter after a 6-2, 6-2, 6-2 romp over wooden, error-prone Marcelo Rios.

Korda played solidly, if unspectacularly, but that's all he had to do against the Chilean, who could barely keep the ball on court and could never pressure Korda.

Korda produced 32 winners, mostly off his forehand, compared to Rios' mere seven.

Korda, who will reach a career-high No. 2 in the next rankings, is the first Czech man to win the Australian title since his idol, Ivan Lendl, in 1989 and 1990. In his family home in the Czech Republic, Korda still has a poster autographed by Lendl. Only one other Czech man, Jan Kodes, ever won a Grand Slam title.

Korda also is the oldest Grand Slam winner since Andres Gomez, a few months older, captured the French Open in 1990.

Rios, who will reach a career-high No. 5 in the next rankings, was the first South American to reach the Australian final since Guillermo Vilas won in 1978 and 1979, and the first Chilean in a Grand Slam final since Luis Ayala was runnerup in the French Open in 1958 and 1960.

Korda, who lost to Rios in straight sets in the first round of last year's Australian Open and fell in the first round two years ago, ruled this match from the sixth game of the opening set, when he broke Rios for the second time for a 4-2 lead.

Korda then held at love and broke Rios for a third straight time to close out the set in 27 minutes. Rios put up little resistance in the second set, going down by the same score in the same amount of time. By then it was clear Korda would have no letdown, and Rios would have nothing in him to claw his way back as he believes he's learned to do.

# TIE

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Burke finished third in the 200-yard individual medley, and Brooke Untersee also contributed a third-place finish in the 1000-yard freestyle.

Saturday's meet was no contest for the women's team. Winning 116-26, this meet gave coach Padovan time to rest his swimmers.

"They (Northeastern) just don't have enough people to compete; they couldn't even enter some events that we had," Padovan said.

The Lady Panthers won every event that was contested.

The men's team had a tougher time on Friday evening. They lost to an overpowering Hilltopper team, 116.5-98.5. The final was somewhat misleading, as Western Kentucky changed some of its entrants to exhibition to keep from piling on points.

The team did score two victories. Scott Burris won the 1-meter diving, and Drew Shepherdson, who has battled injuries all season took first in the 200-yard breaststroke. The rest of the team was overmatched however.

"Western Kentucky just had way too much for us; our guys were really tired also," Padovan said.

The men got into the blow-out act on Saturday by soundly defeating Northeastern Illinois. The Panthers again won every event entered, and wound up with a 90-47 victory.

The Golden Eagles are not usually a good meet for Eastern; they have not challenged them in one race all year.

"This is not usually a meet I go out to try and schedule, but it came about," Padovan said.

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# Lakers destroy Bulls

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) - It wasn't about Michael vs. Kobe, it wasn't about the past vs. the future or the East vs. the West.

It was about payback. And the Los Angeles Lakers earned plenty.

The Lakers gave back exactly what they received from Chicago six weeks earlier, turning Sunday's showdown into a marquee mismatch as they defeated the Bulls 112-87.

"They sent all the statements today," Chicago coach Phil Jackson said.

"We didn't show up, none of us. And I couldn't tell you exactly why," Dennis Rodman said.

The Lakers, blown out at Chicago in mid-December, broke the game open early in the third quarter and toyed with the defending champions the rest of the way.

It was the final game of the regular season between the teams, and the Lakers made up for their most lopsided loss of the season - a 21-point defeat on Chicago's home court on Dec. 17.

"It was redemption in a sense realizing how we were embarrassed in Chicago," said Rick Fox, who played his second straight outstanding game and led Los Angeles with 25 points.

# Lady Panthers look to improve attack on offense against Eastern Kentucky

A week-long lay-off proved insufficient to recharge the Lady Panther offense.

Eastern followed up a 41-point performance against Southeast Missouri on Jan. 24 with a scoring blackout in a 20-point loss to Morehead State Saturday.

Only senior forward Barbora Garbova scored in double figures, and she led all scorers with 28 points.

But other than Garbova's 28, the Panther attack was nonexistent. Senior guard Nora Hendrix and senior forward Allison Lee scored six points each, with four of Lee's six coming from the free-throw line.

Eastern shot just 35 percent from the floor, hitting on 23-of-66 shots. From behind the three-point arc, the Lady Panthers were 5-of-19, with Garbova accounting for four of them.

Eastern head coach John Klein said the Lady Eagles were able to keep the Lady Panthers' post players, Lee and sophomore center Leah Aldrich, from getting good looks at the basket by packing the paint.

Klein also said Eastern's impatience helped Morehead close down the inside game.

"When we had our post players in the ball game, we did not run our offense and move the ball enough to create situations for them," Klein said. "People are going to defend our inside game. If you have success at something they're going to defend it."

"We're too quick to just shoot the ball or force it inside."

Garbova said the Lady Panthers seemed to be playing against two teams, the Lady Eagles and the Lady Panthers.

"I think it was another game that we beat ourselves," she said. "They were better than when we played them at Morehead, but they are not better than us."

"We had almost like two opponents against us."

Klein said the way to beat the zone the Lady Panthers are facing is to hit the outside shots, something the team hasn't done lately.

"We need guards to knock down shots when teams do this to us," he said. "It can't be one player, such as Barbora, who constantly steps up and has to hit the shot."

"We have got a slug of guards out there that have to step and hit them."

## Demoted:

The Lady Panthers will attempt to end their slide against the Lady Colonels of Eastern Kentucky at 7:05 p.m. Monday at Lantz Gymnasium.

The Lady Colonels entered the weekend at 8-2 in the OVC, 12-5 overall.

Eastern Kentucky is led by senior forward/center Laphelia Doss, who is averaging 15.7 points per game.

She also averages 5.4 rebounds per game.

As a team, the Lady Colonels are shooting 44.5 percent from the floor.

Though Klein expects to see the same defense from Eastern Kentucky that the last few opponents have shown, he said the Lady Panthers match up better against the Lady Colonels defensively.

Aldrich is looking forward to the game as well.

"We seem to play better against better teams," she said.

- compiled by Drew Granger



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Eastern's Leah Aldrich takes a shot against Morehead State Saturday night.

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# Men's track team wins big at Southeast Missouri

By DAVID PUMP  
Staff writer

The Eastern men's track team traveled to Southeast Missouri to compete in its first dual conference meet of the season Friday afternoon and sprinted to a 75-45 victory.

Despite a slow start on a fast and undersized track, the Panthers settled down and took control of the meet head coach Tom Akers said.

"It took the team a little while to compete, and I was a little disappointed in the start we got off to," Akers said. "Southeast Missouri was ready to try and knock us off."

The Indians used their strong field events to capture an early lead against the defending con-



Tom Akers

Cameron Mabry had a close call in the preliminaries of the 55-meter, but came right back in the finals to break the track's record with a 6.22-second finish. Along with breaking the record, Mabry qualified for a provisional spot for nationals.

"He set the record by a full one-tenth of a second," Akers said. "It was the fourth-fastest collegiate time reported this

year." Akers said it took everyone to get past the small size of the Student Recreation Center at SEMO.

**Sprinter**

Mabry also finished first and set another track record in the 200-meter dash (22.44 seconds) as well as finishing second in the triple jump.

"He had a guy to run after early (in the 200), and once he caught him he slowed up, but as soon as someone caught up to him he was able to shift gears," Akers said.

Kevin Lindsay finished third in the 200 behind Mabry's record-setting performance.

Akers said he was pleased to see the guys step up, especially in the 600 and 800-meter runs.

"Mike McBride and Chad White battled head-to-head in an exciting 600," Akers said. "Chad just edged out Mike down the stretch to set a Rec. Center

record."

Aundra Williams and Jake Hunt stepped up to finished 1-2 in the 400-meter dash. Ryan Boiles raised his level in the mile (4 minutes, 21.3 seconds) beating the closest competitor by 13 seconds.

"Ryan completed a superb double," Akers said of Boyle's third-place finish in the half mile and his mile victory.

Marcus Carter had a personal best in the 800 according to Akers.

"We knew that he could run well because he has been working hard at it in practice," Akers said.

Hurdler Rollie Slama lowered his 55-meter hurdle time (7.64 seconds) and finished second with a personal best. Bob Cecich

recorded a 7.95 performance and went under eight seconds for the first time.

The 3000-meter runners captured the top four spots led by Chad Bauer, Bruce Lundborg, Todd Conroy and Ricky Walden, and the mile relay teams finished 1-2.

Dan Stone finished second in the pole vault, according to Akers.

John Davis and Dave Astrauskus were third and fourth in the shot put respectively.

Akers said he was pleased to see people step up in place of the resting Tom Marchese, Todd Moroney and Jason Bialka.

"It will be good to get back to full strength," Akers said as the Panthers get ready for Saturday's meet in Indiana.

## Fox Sports South brings out fans, intensity for conference matchup

People in the southeastern part of the United States got to see the Panther basketball team come away with a 63-56 victory on Saturday night at Lantz Gymnasium.

A crowd of 4,243 people showed up for the game being televised by Fox Sports South. Unfortunately, Fox Sports Midwest was unable to pick up the game because the 11 p.m. hour is the time slot for Fox Sports News.

Still, being on cable was an incentive to play well.

"We wanted to play well because we were on television," Panther senior forward Conya Robinson said. "We didn't want to lose because we were on television and everybody was here."

A major factor to the attendance at the game was Greek night, where all the fraternities and sororities came to Lantz Gym to cheer on the Panthers.

Even with the big crowd cheering on the Panthers, the 2-10 Morehead State Eagles did put up a good fight.

"Morehead State does some good things and are a well-coached team," Panther head coach Rick Samuels said.

### Battle of the Warriors:

Robinson has a tattoo on his shoulder that says "Warrior." Every game Samuels picks out a player the opposing team that he calls a warrior.

Saturday night Robinson went up against a warrior from Morehead State, senior forward Chris Stone. Robinson won the battle of the warriors, compiling a season-high 18 rebounds.

"I was tired of coach putting rebounding on the itinerary," Robinson said. "Stone is a good player, but I don't think he's better than me."

Stone came away with eight rebounds



ANNA BETZELBERGER/Associate photo editor

Eastern fans get rowdy for the Fox Sports South camera during Saturday night's game. The attendance at the game was 4,243.

and 15 points on the night.

Robinson lived up to his nickname of the warrior on Saturday night, as he had some battle scars during the game.

"My knee was hurting and my calf kept on getting cramped up, so I had to sit on the floor for a minute," Robinson said.

### Still problems:

On Thursday and Saturday night, Eastern hosted the bottom two teams in the league, Eastern Kentucky and Morehead, and barely came away with victories.

"When we play the bottom two teams in

the league, we have a problem of playing down to their level," Robinson said. "When we play teams we know we have to beat, we play better."

Samuels said the narrow victories didn't really have anything to do with his team's intensity.

"In the last four weeks we've played more focused on the road than at home," he said. "I think that is because we're so anxious to do so well (at home)."

- compiled by Matt Wilson

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Polite scored eight of the first 10 Panther points in the second half.

The Eagles (2-10 in the OVC, 3-16 overall) would not go down without a fight though, as the 12-point lead was cut to two with seven minutes left.

Four straight points by Panther senior guard Rick Kaye and a three-pointer by Owens increased the Eastern lead to eight at 55-47 with four minutes left.

The three pointer by Owens would be the last bucket of the game for the Panthers.

"We couldn't hit a shot, they couldn't hit a shot," Panther senior forward Conya Robinson said. "We rebounded well and knocked down our free throws, and they missed some big time free throws in the end."

The eight-point lead was once again cut to two with 30 seconds left after Eagle sophomore guard Dennie Webb hit a three and was fouled by Panther junior forward Idris Osei-Agyeman.

Webb was unable to connect on the free throw, and Eastern scored the last five points to come away with the win.

The only other Panther to score in double figures was Kaye, who scored 18 points on 6-of-13 shooting from the floor.

Morehead had three people score in double figures, with freshman forward Aaron Knight leading the scoring with 19 points.

Eastern was out-rebounded by the Eagles 45-43. Robinson led the Panthers with a game-high 18 rebounds.

"He challenged himself; he knew he had to match-up against (Golden Eagle forward Chris) Stone so he gave himself a personal challenge," Panther head coach Rick Samuels said. "He leads by example and he wants to lead us to the conference championship."

Eastern won even though they had a poor shooting night. The Panthers shot 39 percent from the floor, but the Eagles were even worse, connecting on only 29 percent of their shots.

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# Sports

## Panthers survive rally, earn 63-56 victory



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Eastern's Rick Kaye drives around the defense of Morehead State's Ted Docks during the Panthers' 63-56 win Saturday night. Kaye scored 18 points in the game, and guard Marc Polite scored a game-high 22 points. With the win, Eastern kept pace with Middle Tennessee and Murray State for first place in the Ohio Valley Conference.

## Eastern remains tied for conference lead

By MATT WILSON  
Associate sports editor

When your team's leading scorer is having a less than average night, somebody has to pick up the slack for him.

This was the case Saturday night at Lantz Gymnasium, as sophomore forward Marc Polite scored a game-high 22 points to lead the Panthers to a 63-56 victory over Morehead State in front of a crowd of 4,243.

"I knew I would be open, and I was concentrating on starting a rhythm," Polite said. "Jack (Owens) did a good job of finding me, and I stepped into my shot and knocked it down."

Polite's point total was one shy of his season high 23 points scored against Western Illinois in the seventh game of the year.

With the victory, Eastern improved its record to 10-2 in the Ohio Valley Conference. The Panthers are still in a first-place tie with Middle Tennessee and Murray State.

Eastern enjoyed the lead the entire game, extending to a game-high 12 points with 17 minutes left in the second half.

After scoring only seven points in the first half,

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## Lady Panthers continue slide with 20-point loss

By DREW GRANGER  
Staff writer

In what was described as a "disappointing" performance by senior forward Barbora Garbova, the Lady Panther basketball team continued its slide down the Ohio Valley Conference standings with a 75-56 loss to Morehead State Saturday in Lantz Gymnasium.

A last second shot by the Lady Eagle sophomore forward/guard Marcisha Brazely piled the last shovel-full of dirt on the Eastern coffin in the 20-point loss. The final nail had been driven into the coffin with 9:14 left to play in the second half when Morehead went on a 9-0 run to go up by 20, 67-47.

The Lady Panthers trailed for the entire game. The closest Eastern came to taking the lead was drawing within one point before falling back down to an eight-point deficit.

The Lady Panthers fall to 7-4 in the OVC following the loss. The defeat also drops Eastern below .500 on the season with a record of 9-10.

The Lady Eagles picked up just their second conference win Saturday. Morehead has a record of 2-9 in conference and 6-13 overall.

Eastern head coach John Klein said the Lady Eagles surprised the Lady Panthers by making adjustments on defense.

"We thought they would press a little

bit more, and run the ball," he said. "But, as it turned out, they played more of half-court game."

Klein said the adjustments Morehead made are being made by a lot of Lady Panther opponents.

"I think what they did was they realized that early in the conference year we'd been having some success on the inside and lately the last couple teams we've played have done what Morehead did tonight," Klein said.

Morehead collapsed in on the Panther post players and denied the Eastern inside game throughout the night.

"We weren't patient enough in our half-court offense to open up situations for our inside players," Klein said. "We

shot the ball a little too quick when we had the bigger line up in there. And if we're going to do that, we have to have people that just flat out put the ball in the basket. Tonight the only player that was consistently putting the ball in the hole from the outside was Barbora."

Garbova led all scorers with 28 points in 38 minutes of play. She hit on 12-of-18 shooting from the floor, including 4-of-6 from behind the three-point arc. Garbova also pulled down 11 rebounds to earn herself a double-double.

Leading the way for the Lady Eagles was freshman forward Megan Kellough, who scored 21 for the Morehead. She hit 9-of-13 shots from the floor, made three three-pointers and dished out four assists.

## Women's team swims to rare tie, men split weekend meets

By TODD SCHREIBER  
Staff writer

The Eastern swim teams had a tough beginning to their home-stand weekend, but in the end, they wound up with split decisions and new broken records.

On Friday, the Panthers squared off against the Hilltoppers of Western Kentucky. They then took on the Golden Eagles of Northeastern Illinois Saturday.

Two more school records fell at the hands of freshman Amanda Dore. Dore re-broke her 200-yard freestyle mark, and then also set the standard in the 500-yard freestyle.

Friday's meet was definitely the tougher of the two. The men's team split on the weekend, losing on Friday, but getting back to form on Saturday. The Lady Panthers earned a tie on Friday, and were victorious the next day.

The women's meet was one to cherish as a fan. It went down to the wire, and it took the last race to determine the winner. Eastern needed a first and third-place finishes in the 400-yard freestyle, and they got just that to earn the draw.

Being even at the end of a meet, 118-118, was a very rare occurrence according to coach Ray Padovan.

"We never see ties, but we are still happy with the results," he said.

Padovan and assistant-coach Donna Ruf were extremely happy to get out with a tie.

"That meet could have gone either way, and everyone stepped up in the right places, and just wouldn't lose," Padovan said.

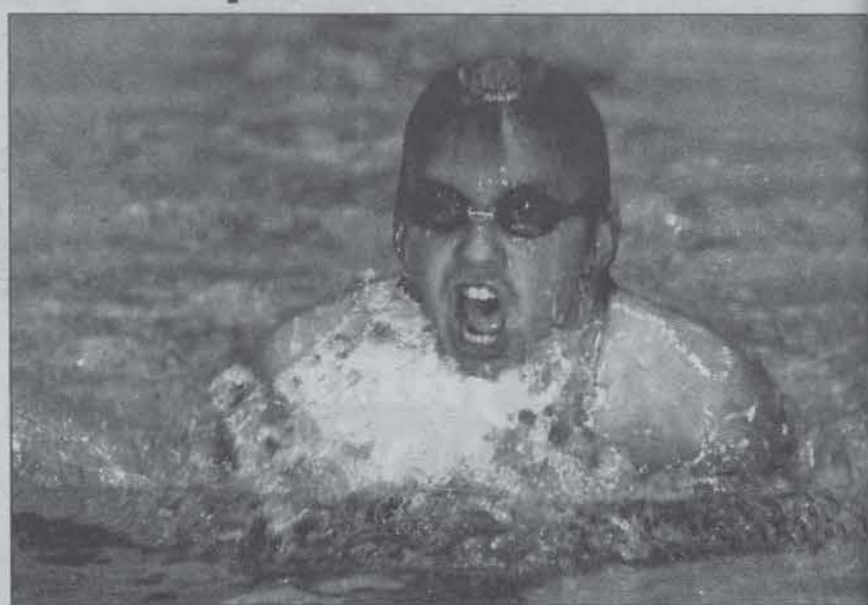
The shorter distances seemed to be where the Lady Panthers got back into the meet.

"We definitely made up a lot of points in the sprint events," Ruf said.

The women's team was a little short-handed over the weekend. Both Tanya Rahn and Nelli Farella were missing. Rahn was out of town due to an illness in the family, while Farella was battling the flu.

The Lady Panthers got great performances from everybody. Karina Freer had a strong meet by winning the 50 and 100-yard freestyles. Other swimmers gave season-best performances. Bizz

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Eastern's Drew Shepherdson comes up for air during the Panthers' win against Northeastern Saturday at the Lantz Pool. The Panthers fell to Western Kentucky Friday and defeated the Golden Eagles Saturday.